

Francisco advised on November 22. 1406, that

The following information reflects the association of VIRGINIA HILL on December 4, 1946, advised that news going to las vegas on December 5, VIRCINIA HILL had steted that she was having a party and The Pansy". "The Southern Gentleman", will be there. VIRGINIA HILL informed that time that who has a ponthouse at the Hotel (referring to SIEGEL's hotel in Las Vegas) for \$35.00 a day, is bragging about it and shoots off her month about SIEGEL going to make lots of money. VIRGINL, HILL stated that wants to come out to The Flamingo Hotel opening but is afreid to; that HEN would not let him come.

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associated with VIRGINIA HILL
and HENJAMIN SIEUEL and has been frequently seen in their company, VIRGINIA HILL
replied to the question in the negative and a tated that she was alone and further
stated that she had a gum.

had contacted one set which time was advised their was in Los Angeles and that was from New York; that he was betting 60 to 70 thousand dollars a day on football, fights and basketball and that he was good for an easy touch. Same source advised that immediately contacted other individuals in an effort to determine the background of and had also contacted BENSTEGEL by long distance at which time REN advised to wloave alone.

New Jersey, in regard to advised that was a big time operator and that "little guy" (believed to be MEYER LANSKY) has a guy named phonetic) who is in with lets that out".

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Considerable information concerning this character has been submitted in various crime survey memorands and in the CAPGA and HENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL cases. As has been stated in those sections of this report entitled JACK IRAGNA and has been spark-plugging the wire service among Los Angeles book saxors recently. He has hired a body-guard, a former Los Angeles Police Lieutenant now retired, called upon the Chief of Police in Los Angeles recently and informed be Police Department that it was being placed on active to the affect that he has knowledge of the fact that the Police Department intended doing away with and that if any act befell the Police Department would be held responsible.

as a result of this Chief of Police HORRAIL called in several officers, who are working on and advised them to be armed at all times. Consequently, a "feud" of a sort has developed and the Police Department seems thoroughly enraged at this turn of events.

who has been mentioned elsewhere in this report. He also has been maintaining frequent contacts with the family which is connected with the cleveland, this.



On December hthe contacted an individual named that he was leaving and would stop and "unload that stuir". It will be recalled that in the section of this report under SINGEL where information is set forth concerning the narcotics traffic, the statement is made that is a narcotic peddler who is the source of supply.

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telephono call from

carried on a conversation

she told him ste had had a good time in New York and that would be back

next week.

Stated that "several changes have been made since that

BENNI SIEGEL think took place.

agreed to call the next week.

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EWELRY ROBBERT

The following information reflects a jewelry robbery which recurred at the Sunset Plaza Apartments at 1220 Sunset Plaza Trive, Hollywood.

On the night of Nev-

ember 16th between 8:35 p.m. and 1:45 a.m. the apartment of

was burglarised. Approrimately \$20 CAD JO worth of jewelry was taken. Among items taken was one very rere dark blue star sappitire, 25 carets, set in platinum mounting, heavy man's type, valuation \$7500,00; also a set including a pair of cuff links, four west buttons and pwo shirt studs, set in square shape with begette diamonds on surrounding edge and alood ruby in center, value \$2500.00. On November 21, 1946, by teletype from the Salt Like City directed to the Bureau and to Los Angeles information is act forth reflecting that BEN SIEGEL's body guard and gurman appeared at Las Vegas, Nevada, with jewelry which answers the description of the jewel y taken from the Sunset Plaza and from tim of the burglary. Further information obtained from Las Vegas, Nevada, from confidential informant and other sources reflected that had departed from Las Vegas to Los Angeles prior to the date of the burglary and had returned to Las Vegas shortly thereafter in possession of the jewelry. Further investigation and contemplation of arrests in regard to this violation is being considered.

The following information concerning VIRGINIA HILL, BEN SIEGEL and their associates was furnished by

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INDEVELOPED LEADS

SAN PRANCISCO FIRM DIVISION

At San Francisco, California

Will secure all available information on ciates with an idea of theing her in to narcotic activities along with WIRGINIA

NEW YORK PIELD DIVISION

At New York, Kew York

on the part of this individual.

will obtain information concerning

mation should be specifically developed which might point to narcotics traffic

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The same lead is set out concerning an individual named

Till submit additional information concerning the firm of

Any indication that this firm is engaged in the narcotics traffic is most important,

Since JOE ADONIS and FRANK COSTELLO are apparently close friends of SIEGET, investigation should be undertaken to determine whether the syndicate there is engaged in the narcotic traffic.

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traveling interstrice is of importance.

Will continue close scrutiny of the activities of BEN SIEGEL, and will develope information concerning VIRGINIA HILL, determining whether they are engaged in the narcotic traffic.

Will attempt to identify and locate to the legedly a narcotic dealer and attempt to develope information concerning the connection between and SIMME.

CLEVELAND FIELD DIVISION

At Cleveland Onfo

to SIEGEL and spoke to DRAWA in the former's absence. Any connection has with the narcotics racket is important.

The Cleveland office will also attempt to identify and the individual who allegedly owns a fighter named all of whom are friendly with IRAGNA.

fill obtain information concerning the activities of

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tion indicating any connection property or any of these persons with the narcotics recket is highly important.

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At San Diego, California

The following individuals all of whose mases are given whose tiers of these characters; the following individuals all of these characters; the first state of these in-

INDIAN POLIS FIELD DIVISION

At Lafayette Indiana

Will identify

CHICAGO FIELD DIVISION

At Chicago, Illinois

Will continue its investigation of an end his activities. It will be recalled that the 3er Francisco office has developed information indicating that it is involved in the narcotics racket and that in his recent trip to Sen Francisco

Will determine who ther a close friend of "BUCSY" SIECEL is involved in the parcolics traffic.

DETROIT FIELD DIVISION

it Detroit, Michigan

Will identify

Will identify

characters had contact with DBAGNA when they were in Les Angeles

The Datroit office will bear in mind that investigation so far tends so indicate cortain of these people are engaged in the narcotics traffic. LOS ANGELES FIELD DIVISION it los ingeles California At Beverly Hills, California will identify At Los Angeles, California Fill consider taking the necessary steps to have has furnished additional information and it is thought that continued contact with him will result in further information concerning SIEGEL and the narcotics racket. At Long Beach, Galifornia Bac At Los angeles, California : b7c Will maintain contact with Will identify Mill interview

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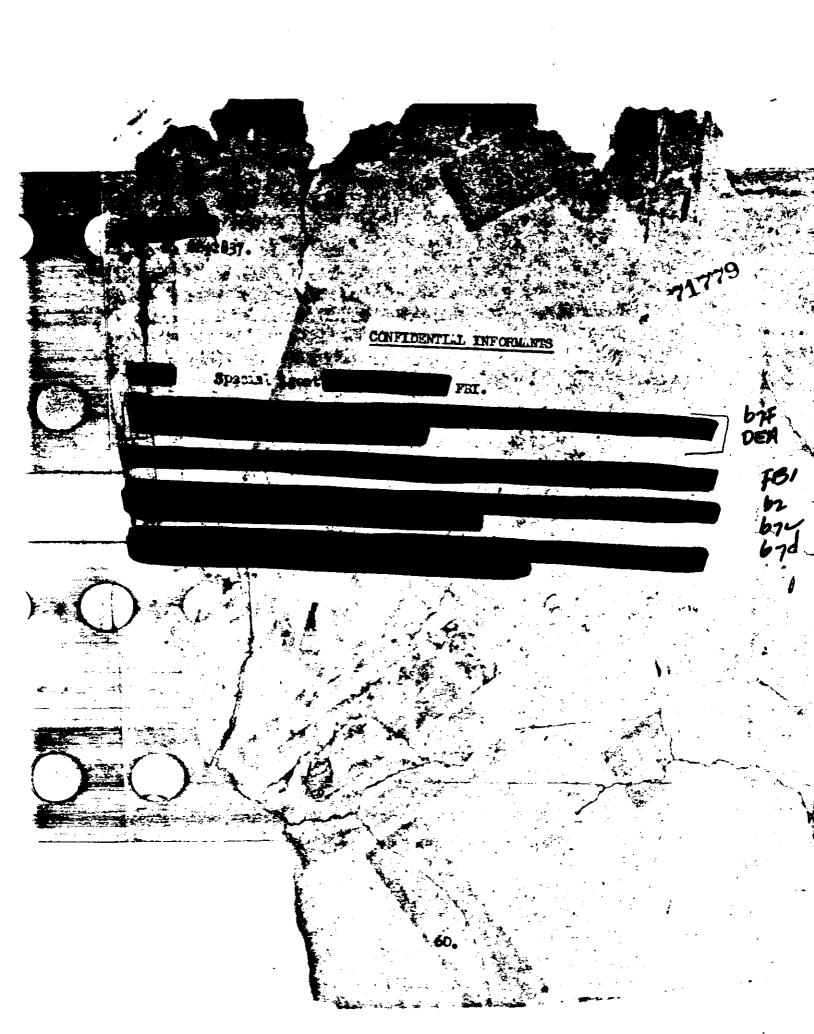
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fill devices further information concerning the activities of friend at 187037 FIREL and VIRGINIA HILL.

will attend a develope a confidential source that can give further information concerning burgiary and the part in that crime.

Will develops partiment facts concerning the lines looking toward a preserving. For falsely claiming citizenship.

inasmuch as the control of this report is being designated for the Cincinnati office inasmuch as the control of the connections throughout the state of Chic.



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SPECIAL AGENT:

DATE: 12/20/46

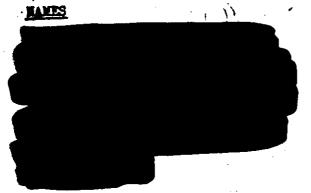
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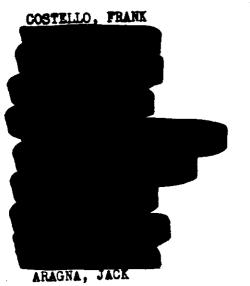
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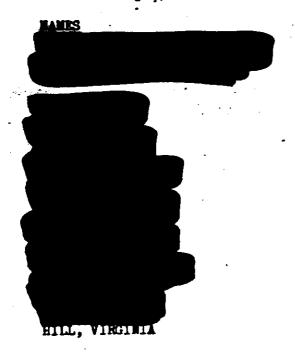
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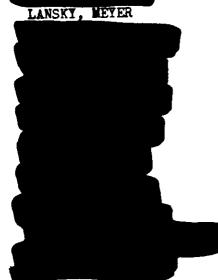




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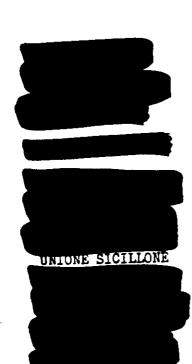
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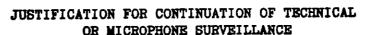


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United States Department of Ins.ice

Bederal Eureau of Investigation

Los Angeles, California January 21, 1947





ILL THY OF ... ATTOR CONTAINED

SIEGEL, with aliases RE: Title 'BENJAMIN "BUGSY

Character of Case Miscellaneous 内 Field Office Los Angeles Symbol Number

Type of Surveillance: (Technical or Microphone) Technical

1. Subject's name and address:

2. Location of technical operation: Same

3. Dates of initial authorization and installation: July 15, 1946.

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4. Previous and other installations on the same subject (with dates and places): Installed July 15, 1946 and discontinued October 17, 1946. Installed November 18, 1946

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Specific valuable information obtained since previous report with indication of specific value of each item and what use was made of each item of information involved: Information as to activities and his associates in connection with Transamerica Wire Service and his close affiliation with BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL.

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- 6. Could above information have been obtained from other sources and by other means? No
- 7. Has security factor changed since installation? No
- 8. Any request for the surveillance by outside agency (give name, title and agency): No
- 9. Manpower and costs involved: No extra personnel needed.

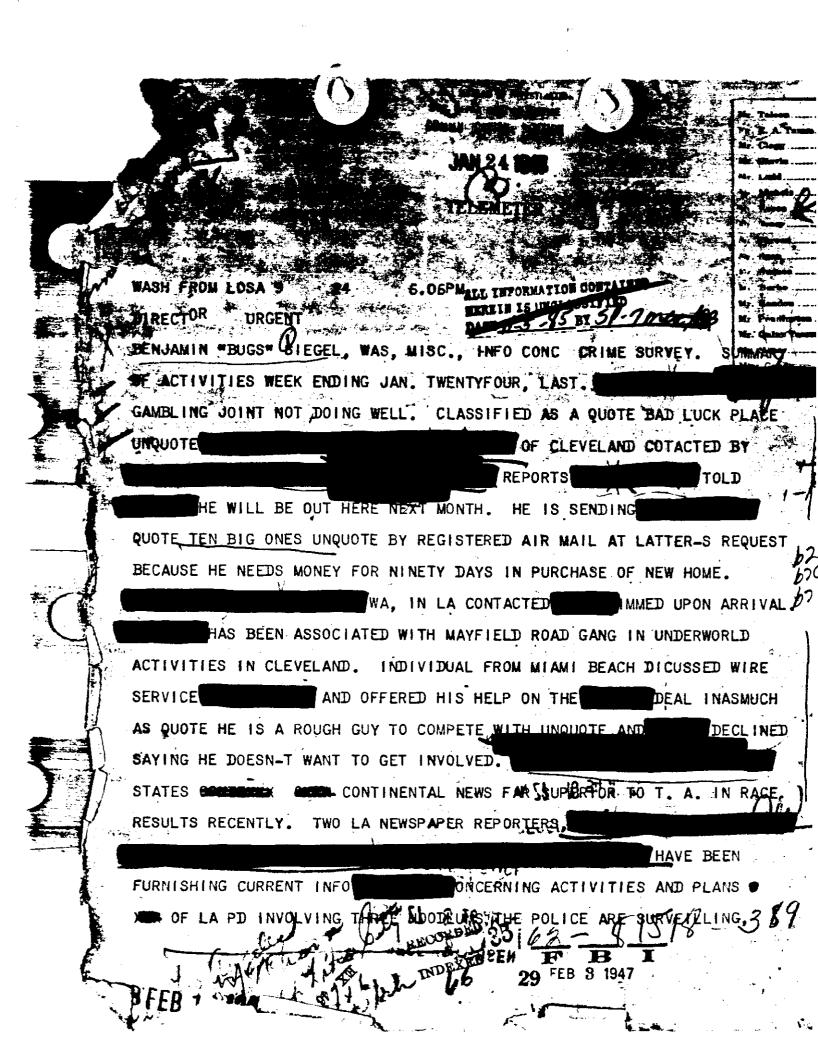
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- 10. Remarks (By SAC): It is my recommendation that this technical surveillance be continued. This man is BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL's lieutenant, performs his errands for him, conducts many of his business affairs, has attempted to bribe track officials and has obviously engaged in activities for the interests of SIEGEL. In addition he frequently has conferences at his apartment with leaders in gangster activities in this area. Much of this information has come to us as result of the technical and I feel that it should be continued.
- 11. Remarks (added at Seat of Government):

12. Recommendation by Assistant Director:

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13. Recommendation by the Assistants to the Director:



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T WEUGHT. REGISTERED TO GEORGE & AFT THAT HE WOULD DEPART FOR LAS YEGAS MAN TWO ADVISED SIEGEL UGHT LINDEN DR. . BEVERLY HILLS. SALIF ... THAT INTION PICTURE PRODUCER AND HOODLUM CONTACT, WAS VERY DESIROUS OF CONTACTING SIEGEL BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE FROM LA. TIAL INFORMANT ADVISES JACK-DRAGNA HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH " MAN' REFERRED TO BY DRAGNA IN LA HAS HAD MEETING WITH DRAGNA. DRAGNA HAS COMPLETED ARRANGEMENTS TO - TO THE REINSTALL LOOKOUT AT SANTA ANITA RACE TRACK, COMMENCING JAN. TWO FIVE, NEXT. TWO NEW MEN OPERATING IN HOUSE NEAR TRACK AND ONE MAN \$70 INSIDE TRACK SIGNALLING. INFO RECD THAT HOUSE HAS TELESCOPE. INFORMANT ADVISES DRAGNA HAS QUOTE FIXED UP UNQUOTE THE DA-S OFFICE AND AN ARCADIA, CALIF, POLICEMAN. DRAGNA DOES NOT ANTICIPATE FURTHER RETURNED LA JAN. TWENTYONE. CONFIDENTIAL SOURCES ARRESTS. ADVISE THAT CONTACTS SAYS HE MAY BE QUOTE ABLE TO GIVE UNQUOTE DMETHING. SAYS QUOTE THAT GUY UNQUOTE NAME UN-KNÓWN QUOTE MADE A MILLION UNQUOTE IN THE LAST SIX MONTHS. HAS ONLY AND SCRATCH SHEET AND GREEN QUESTIONS WHETHER THEY CAN QUOTE GET TO HIM UNQUOTE. SAYS HE IS LEAVING IN COUPLE OF DAYS. SUBSEQUENTLY CON-TACTED! QUESTIONS WHETHER THAT QUOTE GUY UNQUOTE IS STILL IN TOWN. MENTIONS THE NAME!

BASUCCESSFULLY IN THE EARLY HOURS OF THE MORNING ON JAN. TWENTYFOUR INSTANT TO CONTACT HO IS AT THE HOLLYWOOD ROOSEVELT REQUESTS HIM TO CALL QUOTE VERY INALLY WIRES IMPORTANT UNQUOTE. HE SUBSEQUENTLY CONTACTS ADVISES OF THE ABOVE. TELLS HIM THEY-LL MEET MENTIONS QUOTE DEAL UNQUOTE AND NOTEMBER REPEATEDLY MENTIONSQUOTE SHOULD HAVE NO % TROUBLE -- IT-LL TAKE TWO OR THREE DAYS AND POSITIVELY NOBODY MUST KNOW ABOUT IT NOT EVEN AGREES TO MEET LATER CONTACTS UNABLE TO COVER MEET TO DETERMINE VICTIMIOR THE NATURE OF THE QUOTE IN REMARKS REFERENCE, TO CASINO AT LAS VEGAS. DEAL UNQUOTE. QUOTE ISN-T PLAYING MENTIONS' THAT UNQUOTE. SAYS THAT IS FRIENDLY QUOTE TOWARD US UNQUOTE. HOWEVER, QUOTE IF HE WINS HE-LL HURT US UNQUOTE. - CON. SOURCE ALSO ADVISE THAT WAS WITH BENJAMIN" BUGS" SIEGEL UNTIL ELEVEN O-CLOCK ON JAN. TWENTYONE LAST. THAT HE WAS ADVISED DRIVING TO LAS VEGAS AND WAS GOING QUOTE TO TAKE A LITTLE MONEY UP! THERE UNQUOTE

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MERCEL ELEVAN 11.545 MACHILLANDORS IMPOR MATTON CONCRETED - CRIME sference is made to Salt Lake City teletype dated December 26, which it is stated that who may have impraction relative to the payers of browned County, Florida, ifficials and other information concerning the seasonal plans of the gambling element there. Imquiry revealed that there is no Hollywood News published in Hollywood, Floride, but that there are two weekly newspapers, one being the Hollywood Hereld and the other known as the "Sun Tatler" the multywood mereta is considered a sensitional paper, more or less a scandal sheet. Both of these men are said to be middle age. There is no indication that they have in the past been close to the gambling situation in Broward County. incorpation was furnished to the Salt Lake City Field Division by teletype January 7, 1947, suggesting that they might re-contact the informant for additional information. With reference to the gambling situation mentioned in the Salt Lake City teletype, gambling activities have not ceased in Broward County and at that time were not epened in Dade County. Some of the gambling establishments did open on Saturday January 11, 1947, in Dade County. With reference to teletypes dated December 27, 1946, and January 360 1947, from the Salt Lake City Field Division concerning ownership of a house in Miami Beach, Florida, by a VIRGINIA MIL, it was determined that on February 8, 1946, VIRGINIA HILL purchased the following described property: Lot #1. Block 1D of Island #1, Sunset Island, Miami Beach, Florida, which is recorded in Plat Book #40, page 8, of the Public Records of Dade County, Florida, /together with all the furniture, fixtures and equipment located on the premises of the above property. The address of VIRGINIA HILL was given as in care of COPIES DESTROYED 44 NOV 16 1964 FEB 3 1947

Letter to Director, FMI

January 29, 1947

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The deed to this property was filed March 4, 1946, and is in Deed Record Book #2641, page 409, Dade County, Florida. The consideration expressed in the deed is \$10. and other valuable consideration but the tax stamps on the deed indicate that the purchase price was \$49,500.

On January 13, 1947, Ocean View Postal Station, Miami, Florida, advised that he had been carrying mail to this address since March 1946 and that no one has been living there. Occasionally mail somes for VIRGINIA HILL which he puts in the mail box and a colored maid who is there frequently apparently takes care of this mail as she takes it in and it is never forwarded through him.

stated that he would observe mail coming to this address in b^{∞} the future and any persons who might take residence thereat.

It is noted that there are only a few houses in the vicinity, this being an exclusive neighborhood.

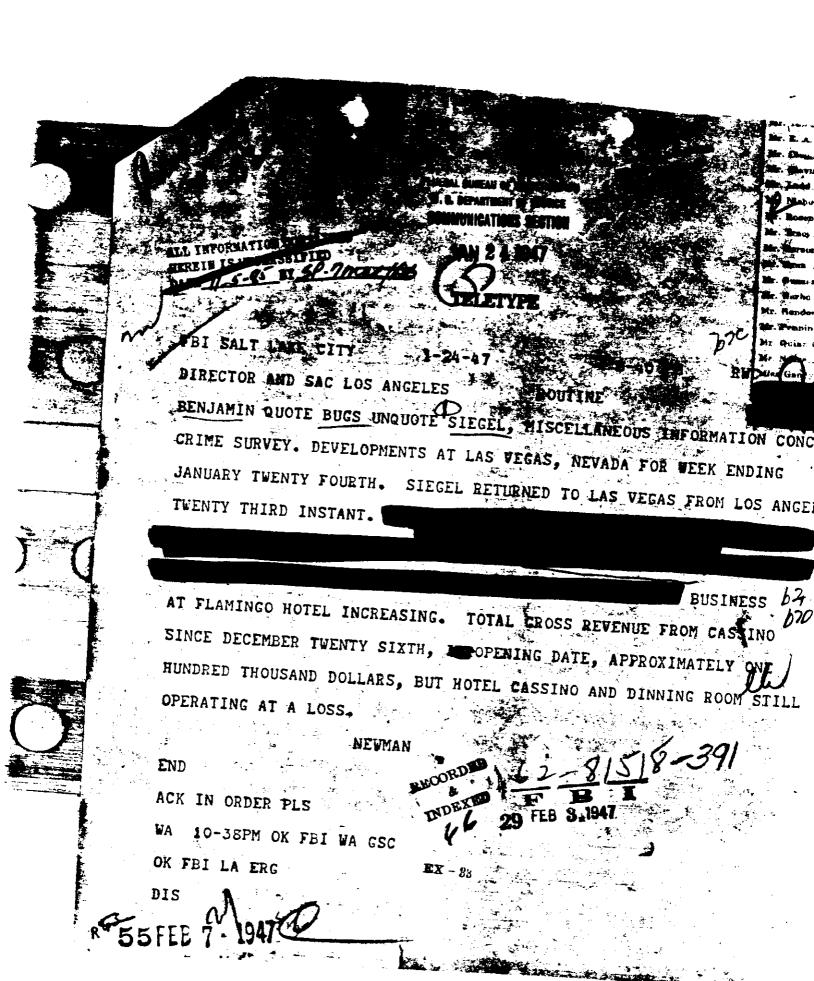
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cc: Salt Lake City Los Angeles Chicago

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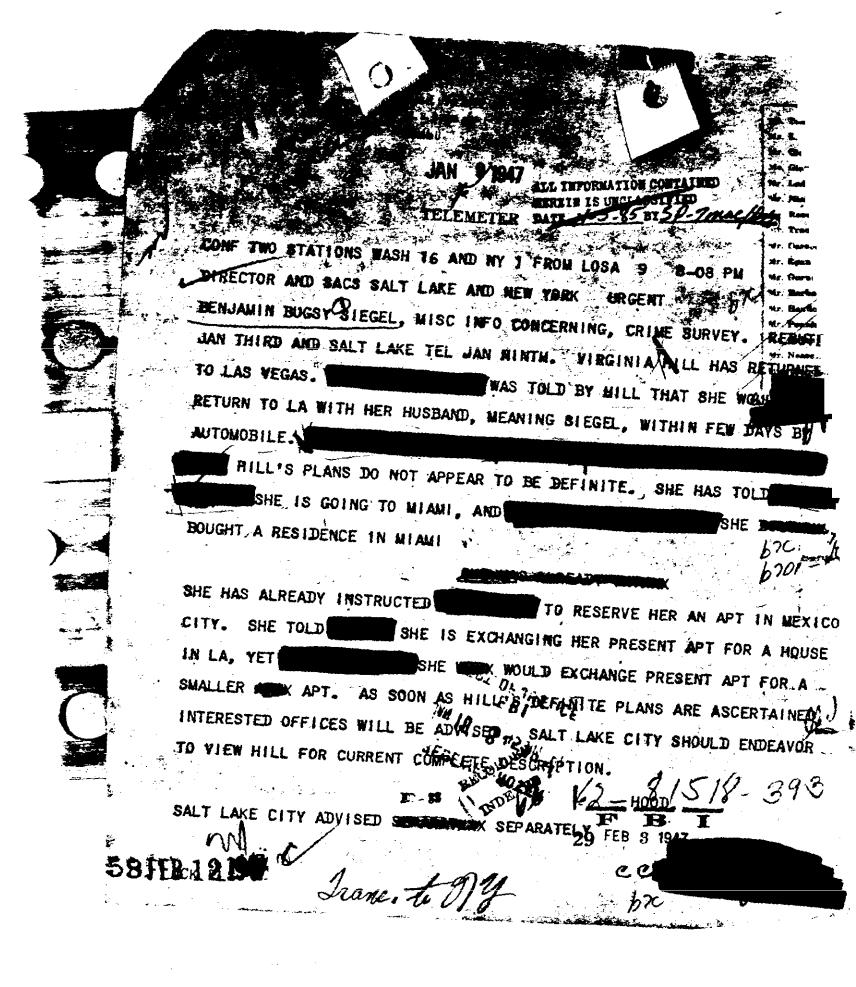
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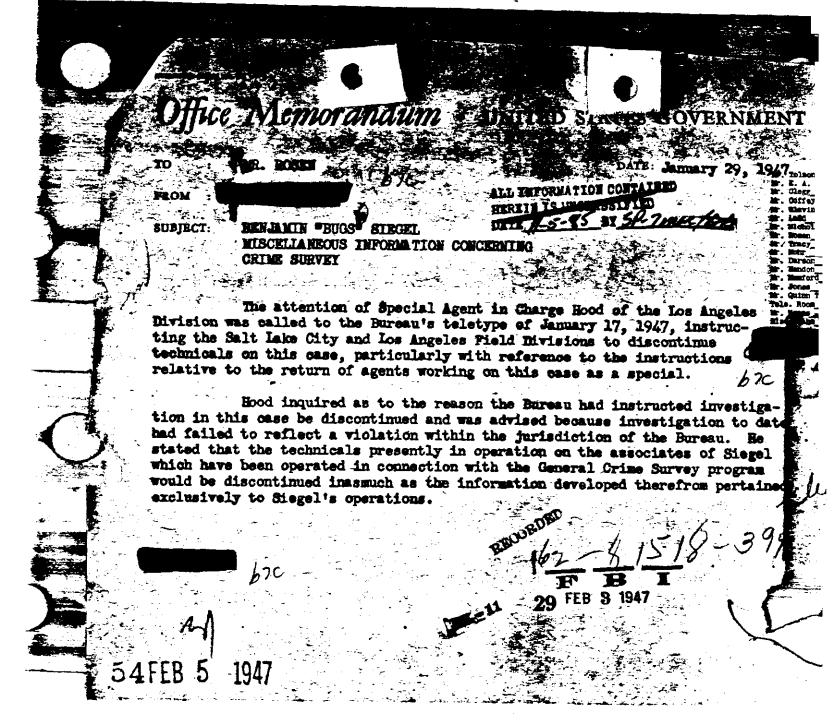
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RE BENJAMIN BUGSY SIEGEL, INFORMATION CONCERNING, CRIME SURVEY, NOW. RE REQUESTED PERSONAL INTERVIEW WITH ME WHICH WILL BE ARRANGED WITHIN NEXT SEVERAL DAYS TO BESTUSS SOME OTHER MATTERS. HOOD ACK PLS THE EXECUTE

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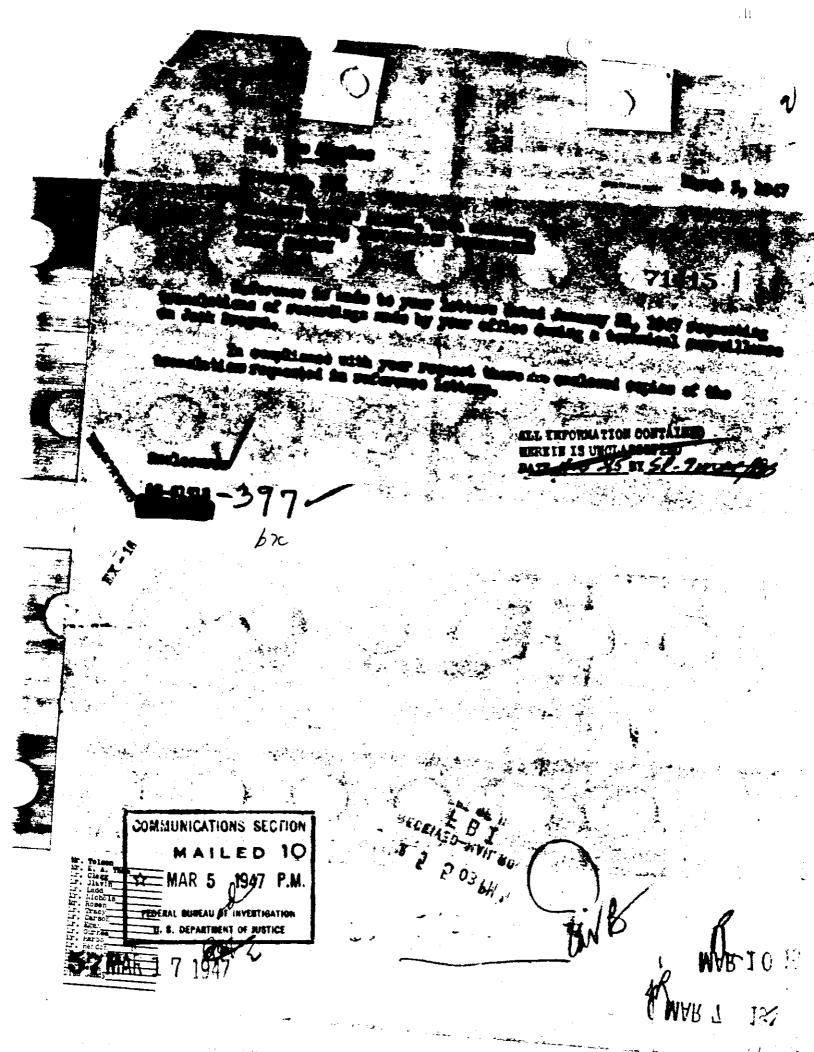


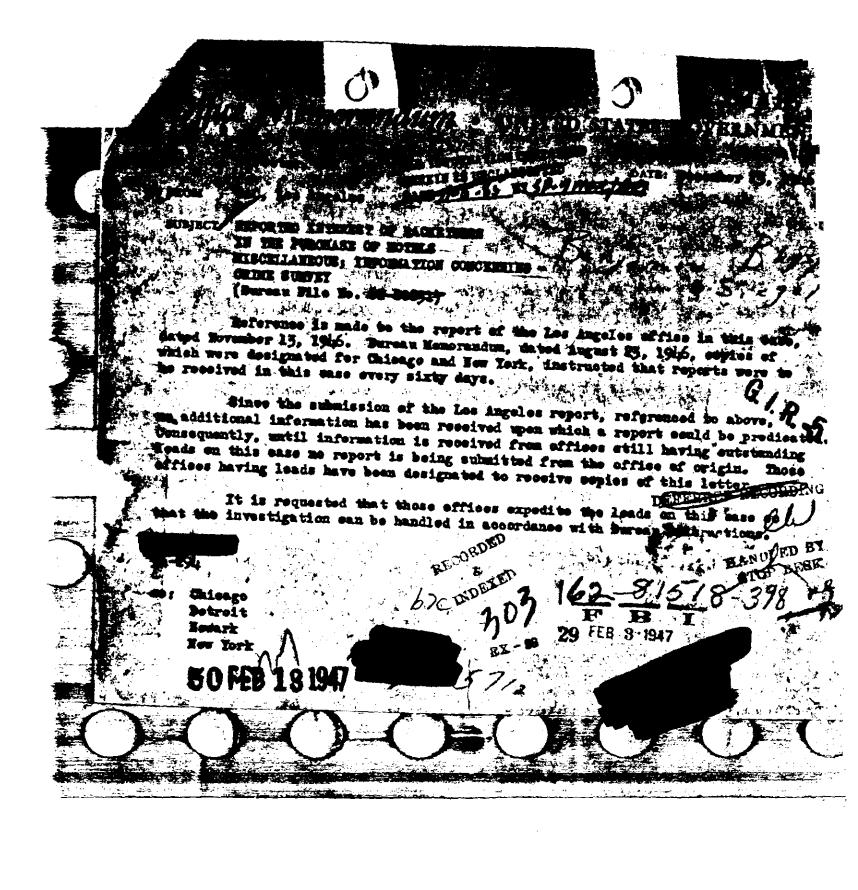
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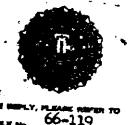
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Anisted States Bepartment of Incise Rederal Aureau of Investigation Los Angeles 13. California January 20, 1947



RECOMMENDATION FOR INSTALLATION OF TECHNICAL OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE

RE: Title BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL. W. C.

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN 1-5-85 BY SP. 7 Months

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1. Name and address of subject:

Microphone) Miorophone

2. Location of technical operation: Same

3. Other technical surveillances on same subject: Technical Surveillance 62 620

4. Cost and manpower involved:

approximately two Agents to monitor nights a week.

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5. Adequacy of security: Security would be good.

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6. Type of case involved:

with his activities as the <u>lieutement of BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL</u>,

nationally known sansater.

7. Connection or status of subject in the case: The subject represents BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL in all of his business transactions and also arranges for meetings of other outstanding hoodlums coming to Los Angeles in his apartment. He has also been connected by "fingering a jewelry burglary" which is now being investigated by this and the Salt Lake City Office. He also acts for the hoodlum interests in bribing various officials.

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8. Specific information being sought: The specific purpose for this microphone installation would be to cover meetings which has in his apartment. Through the technical surveillance now in existence we have learned of occasional meetings which he calls in his apartment attended by such hoodlums as and JACK DRAGNA. It is hoped that through the microphone surveillance the plans and programs of these individuals will be made known to this office. It is anticipated that they will discuss projects in violation of the laws not only of the State but probably of the Federal Government and it is believed that this will be the only means available to us to determine what these

9. Reasons for believing the specific information will be obtained by the technical surveillance: Experience has shown that most of the meetings of this group of underworld characters are held in apartment rather than in some public meeting place or someone else's apartment where members of the family might overhear their conversation.

10. Importance of case and subject: This case is considered one of the most important to the Bureau as BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL, The BUACK DRAGNA and others associated with them practically control the facketeering

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and underworld activities in the West and to a large degree influence the activities throughout America.

11. Possibilities of obtaining desired information by other means (Explain in detail): So far it has not been possible to develop any informant close enough to DRAGNA or others who would be able to report on conversations these men have together in apartment. It is doubtful that anyone outside their close circle knows what is going on in these meetings.

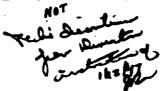
12. Risks of detection involved: The risks of detection are negligible.

- 13. Probable length of technical surveillance: 90 Days.
- 14. Request made for technical surveillance by any outside agency (name specific official, title and agency): None.

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15. Remarks: It is requested that the Bureau immediately authorize installation of this microphone and that this office be advised by teletype.

16. Recommendation of Assistant Director: It is recommended that installation be made. Memorandum submitted.



17. Recommendation of Assistants to the Director:

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REFERENCE:

Deport of Special Agent December 20, 1946. Los angeles, dated

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asked about the new racing service taking over the Continental News Service. Said that it might be affected by purchase. But anyway there would soon be one service. Was asked what particle and played in the news service and said that had nothing to de with it except to go out and get business, that is contact bookmakers and get them to use the new service. Said that BEINI SIEGEL is the actual head of the new Transamerica Wire Service.

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ACTIVITIES OF THE PROPERTY DECEMBER 20, 1946 to JAMUARY 9, 1947:

It was ascertained from that the was going to leave for the Vegas on the morning of Desember 26, 1946 and attend the opening of the Mamingo Casino there. From the same source, it was ascertained that prior to his leaving had been in contact with EORGE RAFT, and many other Hollywood celebrities, inviting them in behalf of BEN SIEGEL to attend the opening of the Flamingo Casino.

On December 21, 1916 it was ascertained from that was in telephonic communication with BEN SIEGH, at Las Vegas at which time stated the "kid" asked on the same date and that wanted to find out about the furs and stuff. Subsequently contacted GEORGE RAPT and questioned RAPT concerning the purchase of furs asked whether the furs were "warm" to which RAPT stated that they were not.

On January 3. 1947 returned from Las Vegas and it was likewise ascertained on January 4, 1947 that VIRGINIA HILL was in the City of Los Angeles. Confidential source advised that had contacted had contacted havised that BEN SIEGEL was coming in Los Angeles from Las Vegas and he was eager to have a conference in an effort to develop publicity to become the Mamingo Casino.

On January 4, 1947 in conversation with a partner with BEN SIEGEL in the Plamingo Hotel and Casino, was advised that the new Plamingo Casino operations were not too successful and that BEN SIEGEL was acting like a prima donna. He further stated that the Plamingo did not have proper publicity in the line of entertaining. They further stated that lots of people were complaining about the Casino being filled with a "bunch of tight lipped gummen." Stated that "the atmosphere is not friendly and the boys

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contact the state of the state of the purpose of producing a motion ploture of the Mamingo Casino for nationwide publicity, At this time advised that he was leaving for Cube, but would return in a period of the week that he would so everything possible to back the Mamingo Casino by using the name, movie state and motion pictures.

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contacted and that he requested to get him a ticket on the Constellation for New York on the night of January 13, 1947.

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LACK DRAGNA'S ACTIVITIES IN COMMECTION, WITH THE TRANSAMERICA MEMS SERVICE:

specifically indicated. DRAGNA contines to be very active in obtaining new subscribers for his wise service in the Los Angelst area; however, he recently has had considerable difficulty, particularly with respect to service in San Francisco and Sun Diego. According to informant, DRAGNA is continuously trying to obtain more money from Chicago interests by advising that source that the wire service isn't paying expenses and that unless more money is furnished the fee for the service will have to be increased.

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DRAINE to December 20, 19 in Micaso, Stating that he was in ving a great deal of trouble and to recently been dries to the los Angeles Police Department while attending he imprihed Legion fights in Bollywood, DRAWA told that he was not wing them but later if had been ascertained that through his attorneys he had Hied 4014 For \$100,000,00 against the arresting officers. MAGRA advised that he had the more soney to which replied that he was having promble all ever and suggested to DRAGA that he sut down on the printing of his, informed DRAUM that he was not the only the having difficulty that this trouble was appeared in all sections of the sountry further that none of the individuals competed with Transambrica had been saying him feeently. DRAGN: atoted that he had \$25,000 in the wire service and that he needs the shoet cominded DRAGNA that he was costing him tonsiderable money and that he was not in a position to earry everybody and told DRIGE that it was up to the individuals comested with the wire service to pay him at regular intervals. advised BRAGNA that they are amable to sperate when they lose considers money and suggested that they might have to slose the West Coast because it was costing five or six thousand dollars a week.





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JACK DRAGNA:

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JAMIN BUCEY SINGE has been spending practically las Togas, Nevada since last tos Angeles report in instant and Recember 20, 1940, and the Salt Lake tity Hold Mylaion will report IRIRL's activities in las legas, no information is being set but in this report onserning \$250E 's activities except for that already covered by nder the above section, asptioned Reference to made to Salt ske City teletype to the Bureau, Los Angeles, and New York, dated January A, 1947, reflecting that on January 8, 1947 SIEGEL requested Angeles to make reservations on the late TWA Constellation Flight Iron los Angeles to Mer Tork Sity on January 13, 1947. On January 10, 1947, advised that the contacted SIEGEL, who was in Las Years, advising contacted SIEGML, who was in Las Yeras, advising that he had SIEGEL's tioket for the 13th and SIEGEL requested to get another and to get one for VIRGINIA HILL from New York City to Florida leaving New York City on January 15, 1947.

SIEGEL advised that phonetic) was at the Bavoy Flaza Botel in New York City and that bell SIEGET in Las should have Vegas, Nevada, After several attempts to contact Savoy Plasa Hotel in lew York City, he ascertained that was presently staying at the Commodore Hotel in New York City and sent telegram, advising him to call STEGEL by telephone at the Flamingo or the last Prontier . Hotel in Las Vegas. subsequently advised SIEGEL that he had obtained the following reservation for VIRGINIA HILL: Might 60, TWA Constellation, leaving Los Angeles 9:30 P.M., January 13, 1947, arriving New York City 10:20 A.M., January 14, 1946.

On January 8, 1947, and advised that SIEGEL was having trouble in Las Vegas, Nevada because the local Las Vegas businessmen were banding together against SIEGEL and were refusing to have anything to do with him or his associates. believed that SIEGEL might possibly have some license trouble as result in Las Vegas.

VIRGINIA HILL

advised on January 6, 1947 that VIRGINIA HILL had arrived by at the Chateau Karmont, 8221 Sunset Blvd. Apartment 6-D, on January 4, 1947 and 62/

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further advised that VIRGINIA HILL had

purchased a residence in Mismi, Morida in the exclusive residential section called Sunset Islands, Miami Beach. Boon her recent return from Las Vegas, VIRGINIA BULL Edvised

On January 7, 1947, VIRGINIA HILL advised that the would depart to Las Vegas, Nevada at midnight, January 7, 1946, and would return with "her husband" the next day or two by automobile.

on January 6, 1917, Special Agents

ebserved an unidontified individual, believed to be

brother to VIRGINIA HILL, driving BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGH's 1916 Cirysler

Convertible Sedan, California License 87 U 314, on Sunset Boulevard this

individual parked SIEGH's automobile in front of the Chattenu Maranta Apartment
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and requested him to pay for the rest of inartment 6-D at the Chattest in mont. The advised that were at the apartment with her and that SIEGEL had wanted her to go to is vegas with immediate future. VIRINA HILL definitely indicated that she did not like less vegas, Kewada, and that she must so to Florida and will be on her way soon. She added that

had advised SIEGEL that would stay in Los ingeles until

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VIRGINIA HILL added that she hadjust sontacted one

had invited VIRGINIA HILL so visit them.

VIRGINIA MILL indicated that she did not know what SIEGEL wanted in connection with the leasing of the apartment at the chatter liarment apartments and instructed that he should contact SIEGEL to determine if they should pack all their things in order to move. In advised that SIEGEL's decision, would hinge on VIRGINIA MILL's departure. She stated definitely that she would be leaving Los angeles before the 15th of January.

In a subsequent conversation between VIRGINIA RILL and on January 7. 1947 VIRGINIA HILL stated that she had recontly been at Slapsy Maxie's Night Club and had met obtaining his telephone number. VIRGINA RILL added that SIEGEL wented to talk to VIRGINIA HILL added that SIEGEL was very upset because ad sent a publicity agent to ask him information concerning the Floringo flotel. She added that SIEGEL had hired one and had shased the agent away from the hotel. In a gesting manner stated that before long SIEGEL would be out in front of XAVIER CUGAT directing the band. VIRGINTA HILL added that SIEGEL had been having much trouble signing up entertainers at the Flamingo Notel. She added that SIEGEL had wanted to close the place, but VIRGINIA HILL had advised him not to. HILL stated that she had repeatedly told SIEGEL that he should bring a manager from New York City who knows how to run a night club in order to operate the Maningo Hotel. The was cortain that SIEGHL would not care very much about the Flamingo Hotel, but imasmuch as other interests were behind him in it "he hadto care." In this connection she added that SIEGEL stated that he will probably have to kill himself in the end and she acvised him that he would not have to because she would hide him. The exect meaning of this point of the conversation could not be determined by the informant, but it is believed that VIRGINIA HILL was referring to individuals who were backing SIEGEL.

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Trace Ell and a sprised that she was going to move into a new house on Linden Brive which is approximately one-helf block off of Sunset Bouleward in West Los ingeles. In this sommetion she stated that she would not have to pay much money for the house because she was exchanging it for enother.

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Will determine if the "Sons of Italy", telephone no. Randolph Rolo, is a front for the syndicate. It may be that this is the place at which meetings are held every two weeks and where some decision is to be made concerning a deal in which have interested.

It appears that prestige and poper locally stems from his Cleveland connections and it is significant that following visit here is now attempting to buy himself an isolated residence. The allegation has been made in the past that acts as a front for the syndicing in Los angeles and the Cleveland Office should bear this in mind in conducting its investigations. The Los angeles Office is still of the opinion that marcotics may be, an important phase of the activities of this mob.

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t present is believed to be a key figure in this investigation and his activities should be thoroughly covered, especially along the line of harcoties and jevely.

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THE HIM! PIELD DIVISION

At iliami, Plorida, will ascertain the activities and contacts of the set forth in Los Angeles teletype, dated January 17, 1947.

THE BAN PRANCISCO PIELD DIVISION

At San Francisco, California, will investigate the activities and contacts of the pointed out that she may be possibly angaged in white Slevery and she is a person of primary importance in this investigation.

THE NET YOUR CLIY PRELD DIVISION

At New York City, will identify
has been contacting in connection with a deal involving shipmed of steel.

Will ascertain the identity and activities of the who is registered at either the Commadore or the Savoy Plaza Motel to determine what his association might be with BEN SIEGHL.

THE LOS ANGELES IN FLD DIVISION

At Los Angeles, California, will identify and establish the nature of his dealings

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Will continue to vigorously investigate the activities of VIRGINIA HILL and BENDAHIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL.

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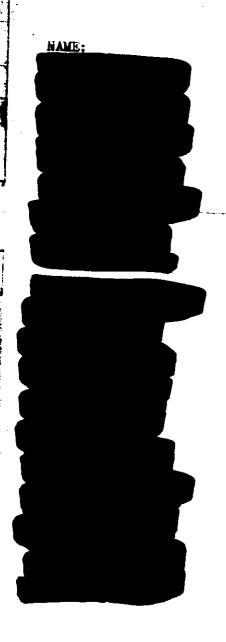
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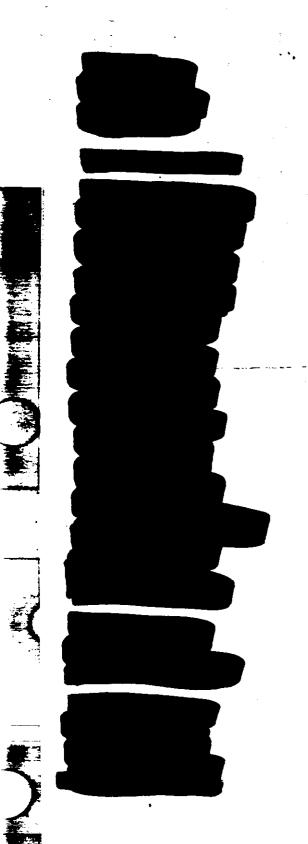
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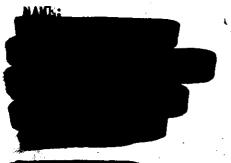
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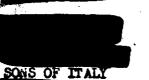
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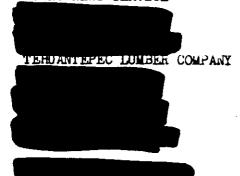
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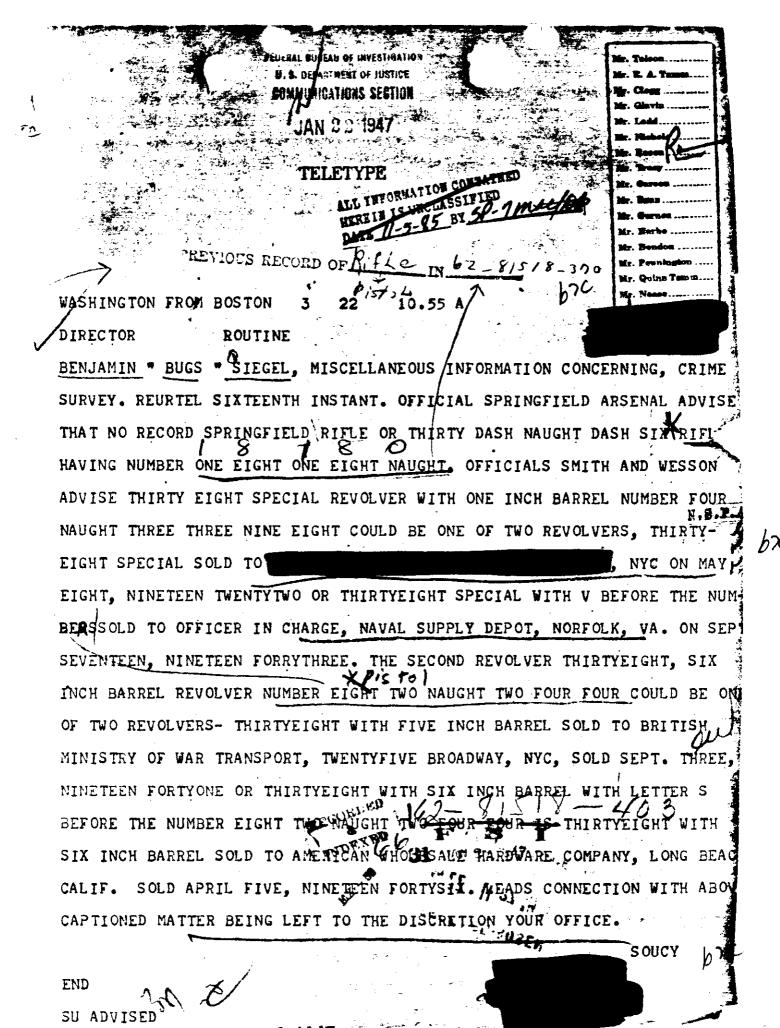
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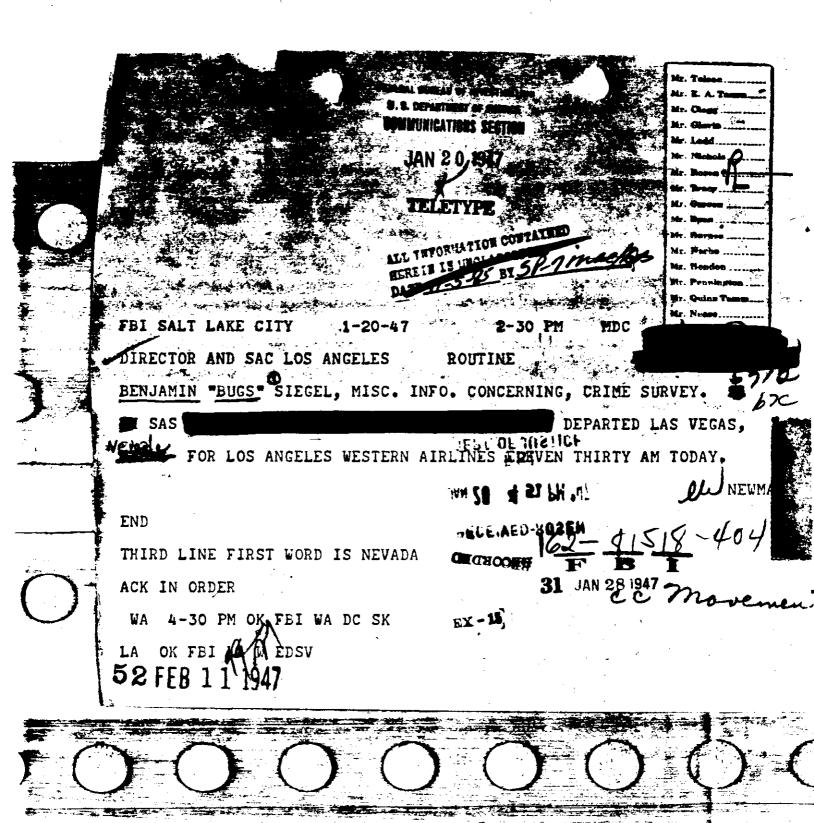
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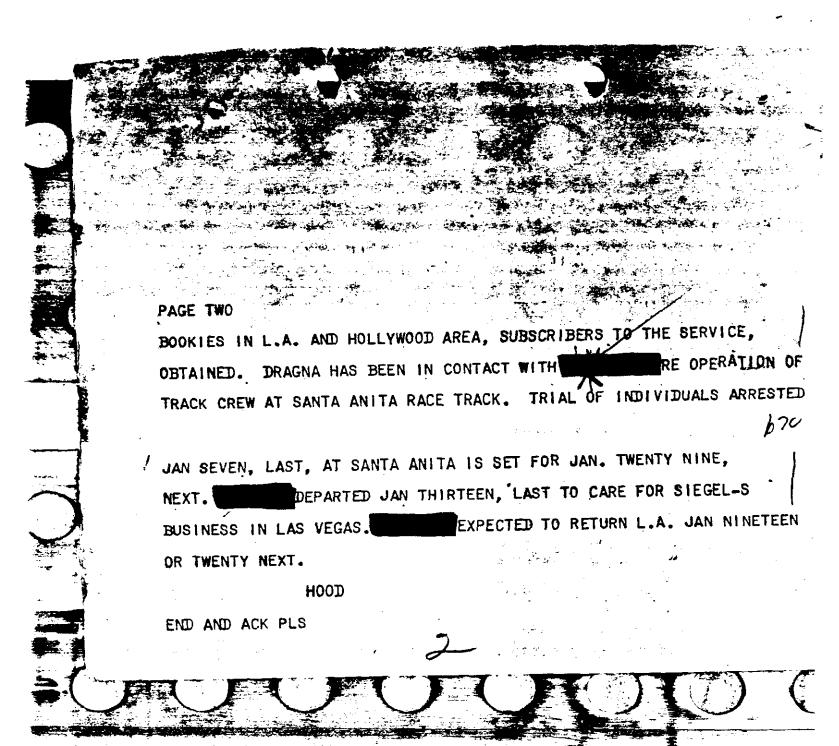
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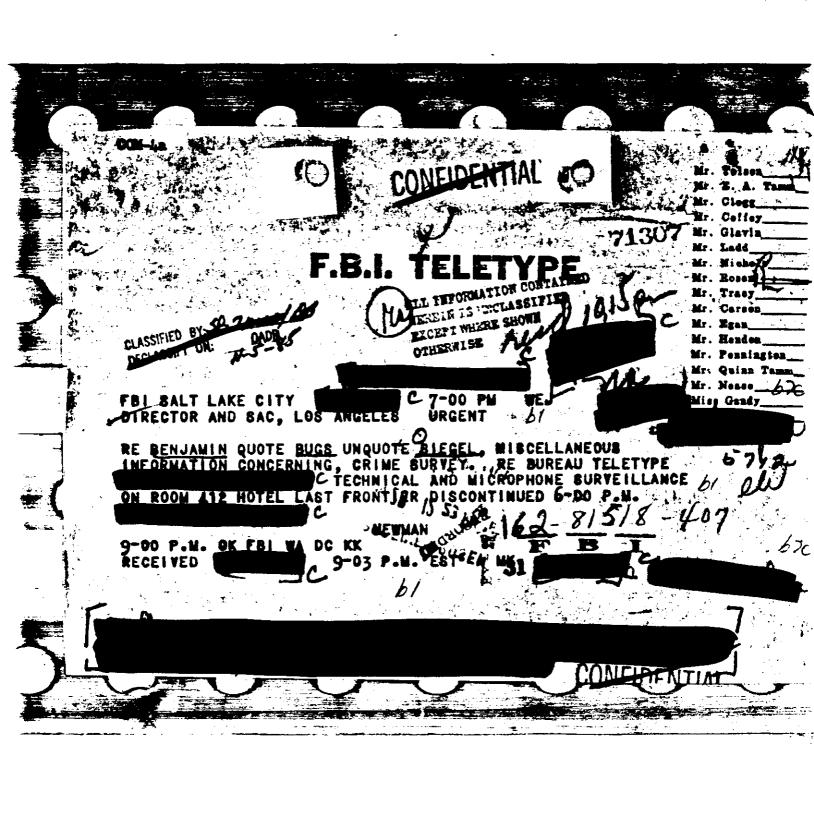
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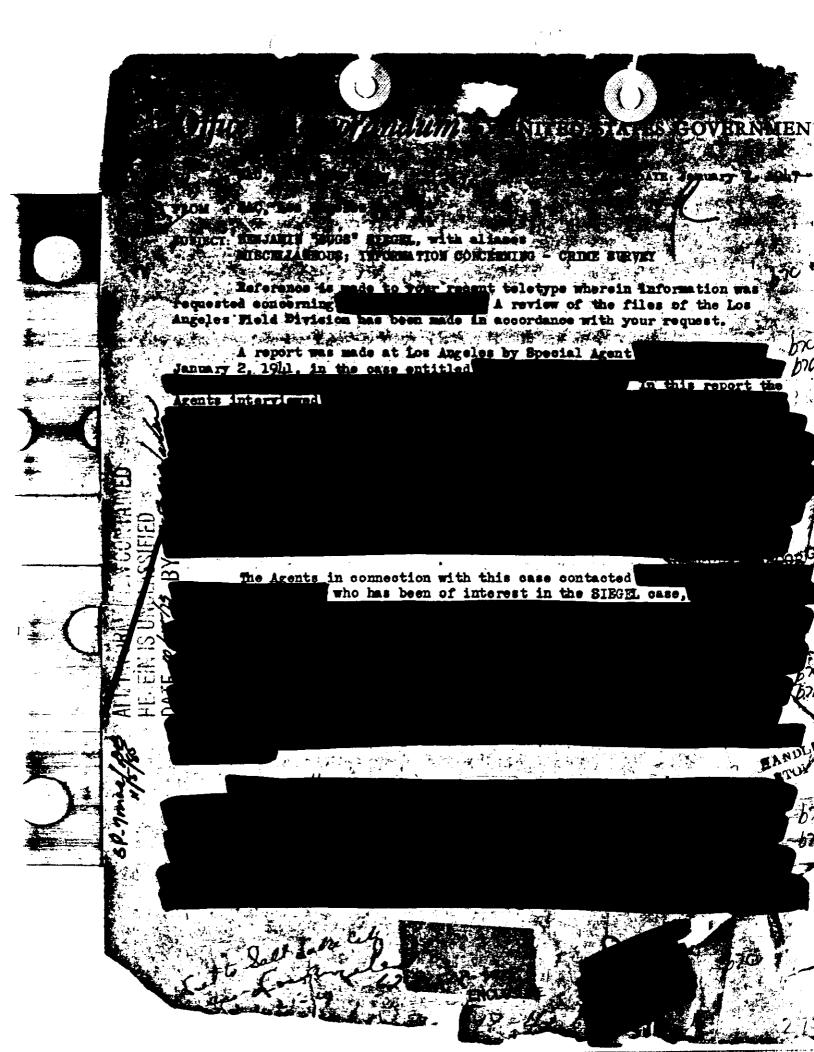
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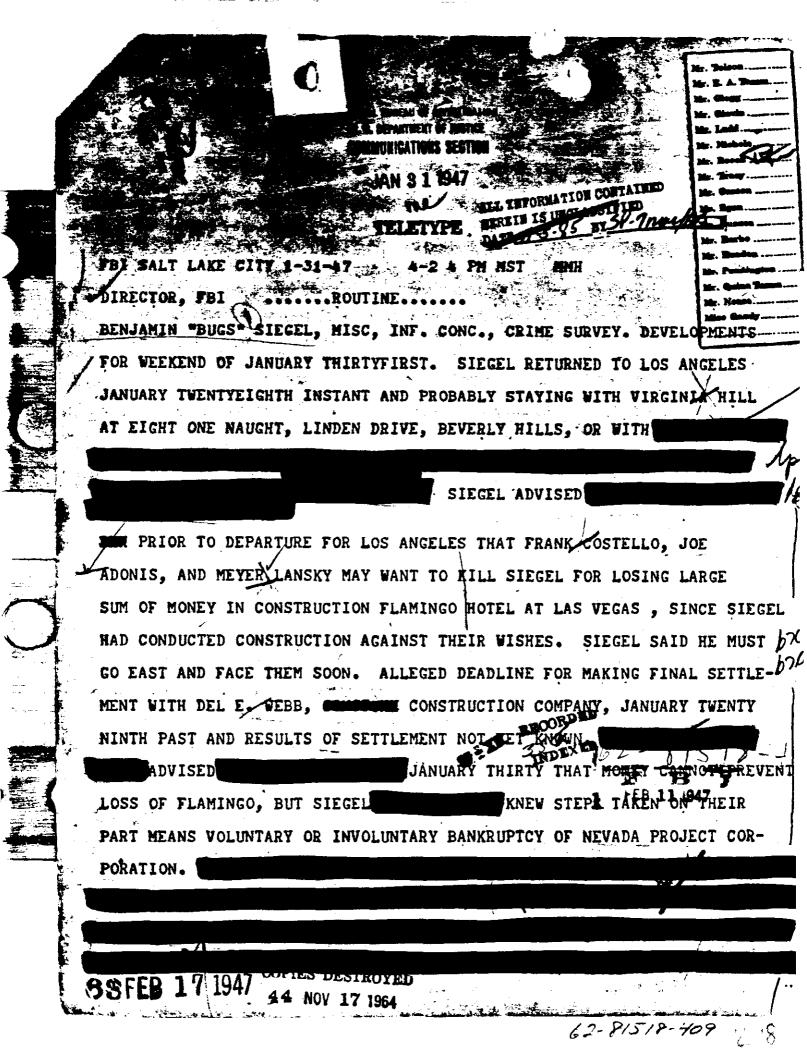


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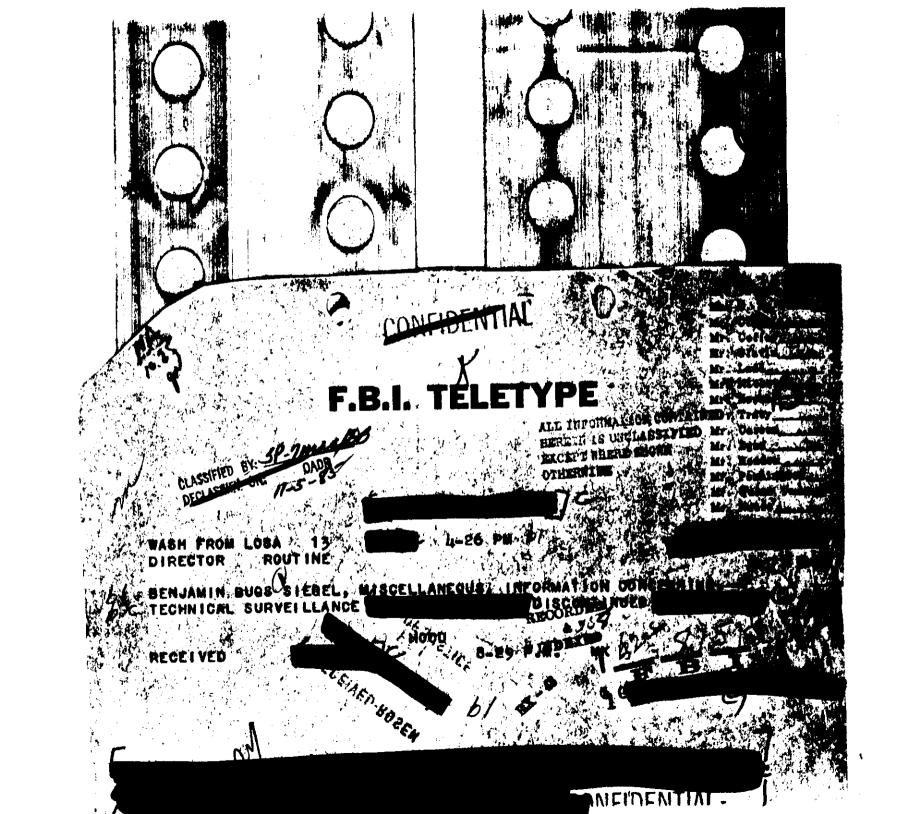




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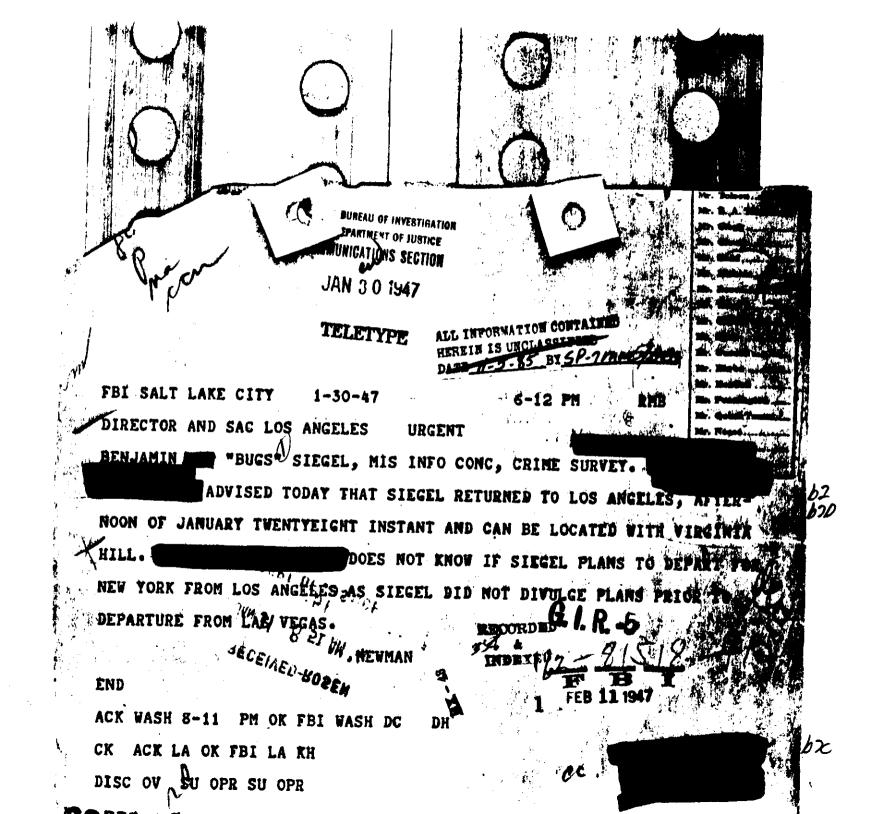
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BESJAMIN "BUGG" SIRCEL. MISCELLAMEOUS: IMPORMATION CONCERNING - CRIME SURVEY

Reference is made to my teletype to the Sureau and Los Angeles dated February 8, 1947, setting forth information regarding 1 13 the contemplated closing of the Flamingo Botel et Las Vegas, Mevada

It is noted that the last sentence of my teletype reads "Will Bureau and LA advise of further developments." This sentence is a typographical error and should have read "Will keep Bureau and LA advised of further developments."

Since receipt of the Les Angeles teletype of February 4. 1947, this office will conduct no further investigation in this case and is presently preparing an RUC report of investigation previously made which is yet unreported. However, such information furnished from time to time which may be of interest to the Bureau and other offices will be submitted as received.

Very truly yours,

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